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Dear Ms Dortch

On Monday, February 2, 2004, the undersigned attorney, on behalf of ITC^DeltaCom Communications, Inc ("ITC^DeltaCom"), discussed the petition for declaratory ruling submitted by US LEC Corporation in the above-referenced proceedings with Mr Christopher Libertelli in Chairman Powell's office and with Ms Lisa Zaina in Commissioner Adelstein's office. In addition, the undersigned attorney spoke with Mr. Scott Bergmann of the Wireline Competition Bureau on this same matter on January 30, 2004. These discussions concerned the issue whether any ruling by the Commission in this matter should apply to the conduct at issue, or whether it should apply on a prospective basis only.

Please direct any inquiries to the undersigned attorney.

Sincerely,

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